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Remarks

Claims 18–22, and 27–28 remain pending in the application. In the Office action dated Oct. 5, 2010, claims 18–22, 27 and 28 were allowed, and claims 13–17, and 23–26 were rejected under 35 USC 102 over the disclosure of US 5,130,559.

Rejected claims 13–17, and 23–26 have been canceled.

Claim 18 has been amended to remove the means plus function language, which is supported in the specification as follows:

cutting device	¶ [0012] line 26; ¶ [0014] line 25
threading device	¶ [0021] lines 10, 18
transfer device	¶ [0021] lines 8, 9, and 11

Note that, although the specification describes devices the specification including the drawings shows in FIG. 1, a single cutting device 16, and a second production section having a single threading device 15 and FIG.3 shows a single transfer device 18' between section 10 and 12.

Claim 27 has been corrected for grammar and clarity: “imaging to form third images of the holding point”.

Applicant believes that no new matter has been added by this amendment.

Applicant submits that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance.

Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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